Operator Training Course Objectives

The operator course training objectives are integrated into the course outline. At the conclusion of the course, participants will be able to:

- I. Discuss a conceptual, person-centered model for housing with services for older adults in licensed only facilities such as assisted living, home plus or adult day care.
- II. Demonstrate a basic knowledge of needs which may develop as a result of the aging process and common chronic diseases found in older adults.
- III. Demonstrate a knowledge of Kansas laws and regulations which govern the operation of licensed only adult care homes, including the Operator's ongoing responsibility for the facility's compliance.
- IV. Show knowledge and demonstrate understanding of the rights of individuals who reside in long-term care facilities.
- V. Show understanding of the role of the surveyor.
- VI. Identify other state regulatory entities to which the Operator may be responsible.
- VII. Discuss the Operator's responsibility for documentation, including charting and resident records.
- VIII. Demonstrate the Operator's responsibility for basic principles of management, including support personnel, staff and record keeping.
- IX. Show knowledge of the procedures involved in admission, transfer and discharge of residents, and understanding of Advance Directives.
- X. Show understanding of the role of the Operator in performing a "Functional Assessment Screen" and developing a "Negotiated Service Agreement."
- XI. Show understanding of issues involved in abuse/neglect and exploitation, including prevention and reporting requirements.
- XII. Identify strategies for communicating effectively with family members.
- XIII. Discuss strategies for helping residents deal with behavioral symptoms, including those of dementia.
- XIV. Identify basic principles in providing for the nutritional needs of older adults and safe food service management.

- XV. Demonstrate a knowledge of infection control practices.
- XVI. Demonstrate a basic understanding of the Operator's responsibility in medication management.
- XVII. Demonstrate a basic understanding of fire safety and emergency procedures.
- XVIII. Demonstrate minimal competency as an Operator in an adult care home by successfully passing the Operator examination.